

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, January 12, 1961

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Ames, Mahoney, Anderton, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack, Rouse—8.

Councilmen Black and Brooks also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Taylor presented a check from the Michigan National Bank for the Police Relief Association, and requested their permission to turn the check over to the treasurer of the Police Relief Association.

By Commissioner Smith—

I move that the check be turned over to the treasurer of the Police Relief Association.

Supported by Commissioner Mahoney.

Carried.

Chief Taylor presented a request from Gordon H. Sheehe, Director of the Highway Traffic Safety Center, Michigan State University, for permission for Dr. William Mann to ride with police officers of the Lansing Police Department while studying driver reaction to police enforcement.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

If, in the opinion of the City Attorney, there is no liability to the City of Lansing and this request is approved by the chief and his command officers, I move Dr. Mann be permitted to ride with the police officers to make this study.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

Chief Taylor presented a letter from Prosecuting Attorney Leo A. Farhat complimenting the investigating officers of the Lansing Police Department Traffic Division

during a recent involuntary manslaughter charge against Richard H. Cadwell.

Received and placed on file.

The Board received letters from Laitala and Nuechterlein Associates and Simpson and Hartwick, Registered Architects, requesting consideration when an Architect is selected for new fire station construction.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Taylor presented a written request for additional clerical help to serve in the Juvenile Bureau from Sidney Hildebrandt, Captain of Detectives.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I move we place a request with the City Council for a clerk-typist for the Juvenile Bureau of the Police Department to start to work in this division as soon as possible.

Supported by Commissioner Anderton.

Carried.

January 12, 1961.

Mr. M. J. Keenoy, Chief

Lansing Fire Department

Lansing, Michigan

Dear Sir:

I wish to request reclassification to the next higher classification for the members of the fire alarm maintenance division. The present classification for the members of this division are:

Asst. Supt. of Fire Alarms V

Senior Lineman IVA

3 Linemen IV

Respectfully submitted,

CECIL G. HETHORN,
Superintendent,
Fire Alarm Division.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I move we refer this request to the Men and Discipline Committee, and they will report their findings back to the Board.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

The Board received two communications from the Chairman of the Mediation Board of the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local No. 421, Fireman Walter Keast, requesting a meeting to explain their budget requests for 1961-1962.

Received and placed on file.

The Board held an open discussion with Councilman Brooks and Black regarding the City Council resolution passed December 2, 1957. Chairman Rouse requested Councilman Brooks and Black to confer with the entire council regarding this resolution to clarify the sections that limit the authority of the Board to deal with the members of the departments.

Chief Keenoy presented a report from City Physician B. E. McNamara recommending a duty disability pension for Lt. Percy G. LaLonde of the Lansing Fire Department.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I recommend that we concur with the City Physician's recommendation.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

RESIGNATIONS

January 12, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of Roger E. Robertson, effective January 15, 1961, from the garage division of the Lansing Fire Department.

I recommend his resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. KEENOY, Chief.

By Commissioner Lanning—

I recommend that Roger Robertson's resignation be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

After careful consideration, it is the recommendation of your Men and Discipline Committee that when the Juvenile Bureau moves from its present fifth floor quarters to its newly completed offices on the fourth floor, that the following changes be instituted:

1. The bureau shall be known as the Lansing Police Department Youth Bureau.
2. The Youth Bureau shall be a separate and distinct division of the Police Department.
3. The book of Rules and Regulations be amended to incorporate these changes.

JOHN A. AMES,
LEO J. SMITH,
HENRY W. NOACK,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Bos—

I move that the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Anderton.

Carried.

January 12, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing Fire Department

Gentlemen:

Your committee on Men and Discipline in conjunction with Chairman Rouse, met on January 9th to hear charges preferred against Patrolman Hubert Furry "Insubordination and Conduct Unbecoming an Officer." After hearing testimony from Patrolman Furry and from the command officers of the police department, it was the consensus of your committee that Patrolman Furry be discharged from the police department, effective January 7th, which was the date of suspension from the service.

JOHN A. AMES,
HENRY W. NOACK,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Ames—

I move the committee report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

January 12, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend the following transfer of funds in the fire department budget be allowed, and be presented to the City Council for approval:

\$150.00 from 1B7 Maintenance to 1D7 Maintenance.

LEO J. SMITH,
JOHN A. AMES,
JAMES F. ANDERTON,
Ways and Means Committee.

By Commissioner Smith—

I move the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Mahoney.

Carried.

January 12, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends the following transfer of funds in the police department budget, for the purpose of moving the Juvenile Bureau from the fifth floor to the fourth floor of the Police Building, and that a copy of the report be submitted to the City Council for their approval.

From 1A2, office supplies, the sum of \$700.00 to 2A Office Furniture Account, to purchase new desks and chairs for the bureau.

From 1A2, Office Supplies, the sum of \$200.00 to 1A3 communications account, to install three new trunk telephone lines, to cover additional telephone monthly rental for balance of fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

COM. L. J. SMITH,
COM. J. A. AMES,
COM. J. F. ANDERTON.

By Commissioner Ames—

I move the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Noack.

Carried.

January 12, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your committee on Men and Discipline met on December 12th to interview applicants to fill vacancies in the ranks of patrolmen in the police department.

The following applicants were selected:

Kenneth Bracco	Bobby Evans
Rex Burt	James Heyden
Arnold Conn	Irvin Ruby
James Crandall	Robert Woodward

Date of appointment was January 3, 1961 provided they passed satisfactory physical examinations. They shall serve the customary probation period.

JOHN A. AMES,
HENRY W. NOACK,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Noack—

I move that the committee report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Commissioner Mahoney gave a report on the activities of the Special Building and Site Committee. Options have been obtained on two pieces of property, and the property is being appraised. Members of the Council Building and Property Committee were shown the property.

Chief Taylor reported on members of his department on sick leave, new members taking a course of training and the relocation of the dispatching division.

Chief Keenoy reported on members of his department on sick leave, three minor accidents to apparatus and the relocation of the fire alarm dispatching division.

Chairman Rouse gave a comparison of ambulance and inhalator calls between 1959 and 1960.

Board adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, February 2, 1961

The Board met in a special session and was called to order by Chairman Rouse.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Smith, Bos, Noack, Rouse—6.

Absent—Commissioners Mahoney and Lanning—2.

Personnel Director Daniel Bodwin was also present.

Chairman Rouse informed the members of the Board that this special meeting was being conducted to consider the request of the members of the fire department as presented to the Public Relations Committee and to examine the police and fire department budgets.

An open discussion was held regarding the budget requests from members of the fire department submitted to the Public Relations Committee of the Board.

By Commissioner Anderton—

Because of the City Council resolution of December 2, 1957, I move that this Board does not submit recommendations regarding the budget requests of the members of the fire department to the City Council.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

The fire and police department operating budgets for 1961-1962 were read and discussed.

By Commissioner Smith—

I move we approved the 1961-1962 police and fire department budget requests as corrected.

Supported by Commissioner Anderton.

Carried.

By Commissioner Noack—

That a letter be sent to the City Council recommending the purchase of the property at 2114 North Grand River Avenue for the relocation of No. 2 Fire Station; and the property in the 3800 block of Pleasant Grove Road be purchased for the construction of a fire station.

Supported by Commissioner Anderton.

Carried.

Board adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, February 9, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman W. Everts Rouse.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Ames, Ander-ton, Bos, Lanning, Mahoney, Noack, Rouse and Smith—8.

Absent—0.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from radio engineer Stanley Steigman, advising the board that he had on hand several pieces of obsolete radio equipment that could only be sold for junk, bringing possibly fifty dollars to the police department, and that he had a chance to exchange the parts on hand for a transmitter tester, which had a value of approximately between one hundred and fifty dollars and two hundred dollars, if permission from the board were granted.

By Commissioner Bos —

That permission be granted to make the exchange. Supported by Commissioner Mahoney.

Carried.

Communication from Colin C. McDonald, M.D., regarding physical condition of patrolman John Williams.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from Robert C. Bassett, M.D., pertaining to physical condition of patrolman Jack Waters.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from Chief Taylor advising the board that a check had been received from the State Farm Mutual Auto-

mobile Insurance Company for \$54.64, for damages to a police car.

By Commissioner Bos—

That the check be accepted and placed to the credit of the automobile maintenance fund.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

February 9, 1961.

Mr. M. J. Keenoy, Chief

Lansing Fire Department

Lansing, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Please express my sincere thanks and gratitude to the members of the Police and Fire Board for the extension of sick leave granted me and the many courtesies extended me during my recent illness that led to my retirement from duty.

I am also very grateful to the members of the fire department for their assistance and solicitude. I feel I have been very fortunate to have been associated with so many nice people during my years of service.

Sincerely yours,

PERCY G. LaLONDE,
Retired.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Lt. Edwin Wild, Traffic Safety Division, Police Department, Lincoln Park, commending the Lansing Police Department for the good work being carried on by the department.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received by the fire department from Warren G. Snyder, 2037 Cumberland Road, expressing appreciation

for the efficient manner they handled a fire at his home on January 8, 1961.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from the Michigan Bell Telephone Company giving details on a survey conducted to show the need of two extra trunk lines in the police department.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the committee report of the ways and means committee requesting transfer of funds for the purpose of installing the extra lines be adopted, and the lines installed.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Resignations and Applications

January 13, 1961.

Paul Taylor

Chief of Police

City of Lansing

Sir:

I hereby submit my resignation as a member of the Police department, effective January 16th, 1961.

JOHN LYNCH,
Patrolman.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the resignation be accepted.

Carried.

February 7, 1961

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Education and Training recommends that two officers from the police department be selected and instructed to attend the Criminal Investigation Course at Michigan State University on March 20th.

This is a two week course. One week in March and the second week in June.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. BOS,
J. F. ANDERTON,
W. E. LANNING,
Committee on Education and Training
Police and Fire Board

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the report of the Committee be adopted. Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

February 3, 1961

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Men and Discipline Committee interviewed the following applicants for the fire department:

Robert Leadbitter, William McElroy,
Gary Powers, Gerald Meredith, Gary L.
Thomas, Patrick J. O'Brien

We recommend that they be appointed to the fire department as probationary members, effective their dates of hire.

Signed:

JOHN A. AMES,
LEO J. SMITH,
HENRY W. NOACK,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That the report of the Committee be adopted. Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

February 3, 1961

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend the following promotions to fill vacancies that exist in the fire department, effective February 5, 1961:

Engineer Raymond Brethauer to Lieutenant

Fireman Richard Bailey to Engineer.

Signed:

JOHN A. AMES,
LEO J. SMITH,
HENRY W. NOACK,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Noack—

That the report of the Committee be adopted. Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

February 9, 1961

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends a transfer of funds amounting to \$200 from 1-A-2 account stationery and printing, to 1-A-3 account communications, for the purpose of installing two extra telephone trunk lines in the police department, which will cover the cost of rental to June 30th, and to cover cost of installation.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. SMITH,
JOHN A. AMES,
J. F. ANDERTON,
Committee on Ways and Means.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the report of the Committee be adopted and a copy be submitted to the City Council for approval. Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

February 9, 1961

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Probationary patrolman Lowell Palmer, Roger Adams and Paul Waters have completed their probationary terms.

Inasmuch as the reports from the command officers are satisfactory, I recommend that the appointments be confirmed, contingent upon satisfactory physical examinations.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That the probationary patrolmen be con-

firmed. Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Chief Taylor reported to the board on members absent from duty for sickness and injuries.

Chief Keenoy reported an accident involving a hit and run driver which caused damage to the overhead door at No. 2 fire station. Chief Keenoy also reported on members of the fire department absent from duty on account of illness.

Commissioner Mahoney requested the record of the minutes be shown that he opposed the resolution passed at the meeting of February 2nd, pertaining to the purchase of property for the relocation of No. 2 fire station and the building of a new fire station in the 3800 block Pleasant Grove Road.

RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Ames—

That the resolution passed at the Board meeting of February 2, 1961, which recommended to the City Council the purchase of property located at 2114 North Grand River Ave., for the re-location of No. 2 fire station, and the purchase of property in the 3800 block of Pleasant Grove Road for the construction of a new fire station, be amended to read, that the Police and Fire Board recommends to the City Council that the property located at 2114 North Grand River Avenue be purchased for the relocation of fire station No. 2, and that the property located at 3818 Pleasant Grove Road be purchased for the construction of a new fire station.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary,

Police and Fire Board.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, February 24, 1961

The Board met in special session on February 24, 1961, and was called to order by Vice Chairman Henry Noack.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Mahoney, Noack, and Smith.

Absent—Commissioner Rouse.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from the City Council, asking the Police and Fire Board to justify the selection of property selected at 3818 Pleasant Grove Road for the construction of a new fire station.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That this board go on record by sending a communication back to the City Council regarding the site chosen by the Police and Fire Board, after being authorized by the City Council to acquire a site.

That the location of 3818 Pleasant Grove Road was chosen by the Chief of the Fire Department, the Chairman of the Police and Fire Board, and the Chairman of the special committee set up for acquiring sites and building new stations.

The Police and Fire Board obtained a prominent real estate broker to get an option on this property on Pleasant Grove Road, which was done, and the Board still feels this is the proper location for the new fire station, and we are advised through the real estate broker the property can be purchased for fifteen thousand dollars. Buildings on the site will be demolished at no cost to the city.

If the City Council feels other property is more desirable, it is the opinion of this board that the real estate broker who spent his time obtaining the first option for us, should be retained and asked to acquire options on other property that the council desires.

The Board would also like a clarification on the present position of the City Council on the property located at 2114 North Grand River Avenue for the re-location of fire station No. 2, which we are informed can be purchased for \$25,500.00.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Board adjourned.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, March 9, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Vice Chairman Henry W. Noack.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Ames, Mahoney, Anderton, Smith, Bos, Lanning and Noack—7.

Absent: Commissioner Rouse—1.

Commissioner Rouse was excused from the meeting.

Councilmen Brooks, Heller, Black, Bradshaw, Peck and Preuss were also present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from Herbert Cooper, Realtor, offering a parcel of land 220 feet north off US-16, adjoining on the north line of the Dale Granger property at 3626 N. Grand River, to the City for a fire station for a price of \$20,000.00 was referred to the Board by the City Council.

By Commissioner Anderton —

Inasmuch as this property is less than ½ mile from a parcel of property more suited for a fire station that has been offered to the city for \$1.00; and that the location is not suitable for the relocation of No. 2 Fire Station, I move the offer be thrown out.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Tayor submitted copies of three accident reports involving police cars.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Taylor submitted a report from Colin C. McDonald, M.D. regarding the

physical condition of John Williams of the Police Department.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I move we refer this report to the City Attorney for his opinion.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

A study of the PBX trunks on the police switchboard, and recommendations for two additional trunks was submitted by Alvin Copping, Communications Representative of Michigan Bell Telephone.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I move we refer this communication to the Radio Committee and Police Chief for action.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Keenoy presented a Certificate of Merit for recognition of the Lansing Fire Department's fine achievement in the 1960 Fire Prevention Contest from the Fire Prevention and Clean-up Campaign Committee of the National Fire Protection Association.

Received and placed on file.

March 9, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends the following transfer of funds in the police department, to prevent accounts from being overdrawn.

From 1-A-2 Stationery and Printing the sum of \$1,500.00 to 1-C-16 Medical and Hospital.

We recommend that a copy of this report

be submitted to the City Council for approval.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Commissioner L. J. Smith
Commissioner J. A. Ames
Commissioned J. F. Anderton

By Commissioner Smith—

I move that the report of the Committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Taylor reported on two members of his department on sick leave.

Chief Keenoy reported on two members of his department on sick leave, and that the change over to the fire department separate radio frequency is under way.

An open discussion was held regarding the parcels of land for new fire stations between the members of the Board and the members of the City Council.

Board adjourned.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, April 13, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman W. Everts Rouse.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Mahoney, Noack, Rouse and Smith—8.

Absent: None.

Councilman Brooks also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Memorandum addressed to Chief Keenoy from the traffic engineer Allen T. Hayes, informing the board that the Michigan State Highway Department had informed him that approval had been granted for the installation of Emergency Fire Warning flashers at Cedar and Glendale.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Doctor E. I. Carr, expressing appreciation and commending the members of the fire department who responded to a fire call at the Medical Building, 300 W. Ottawa St. on April 2nd.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Manson-Jackson-Wilson & Kane, Architects, offering their services on the new fire stations to be constructed.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Ben's Service, 2350 N. Cedar Street expressing appreciation to the police officers for recovering their money on a bad check. A check for ten dollars payable to the Police Relief Association was received with the letter.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the check be accepted and turned over to the Police Relief Association.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Communication received from Chief Taylor, advising the board that reports were filed by command officers Captain Scavarda and Captain Hildebrandt, recommending that meritorious citations be awarded to Patrolman Richard Hinman, Patrolman Richard Lauzun, Detective Cloyse Griffin and Detective Sergeant Lowden Henderson, for outstanding police work in apprehending criminals.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That meritorious citations be awarded to the officers for their outstanding police work.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

Communication received from Lawrence J. Baril, Program Director, Law Enforcement Training, Continuing Education at Michigan State University, informing the Board that Patrolman Kenneth Bond had received a Scholarship check from the Automobile Club of Michigan for \$50.00, which would cover cost of tuition for the Accident Investigation Course April 3-7.

Received and placed on file.

April 13, 1961.

Chief Paul R. Taylor

Lansing Police Department

Sir:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for being allowed to attend the Accident Investigation School conducted at Michigan State University April 3rd through April 7th.

Such training, I feel, will assist me greatly in the performance of my duties as a follow-up accident investigator.

Again, thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

OFFICER KENNETH BOND,
Lansing Police Department.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from O. E. Eckert, General Manager, Board of Water and Light, requesting permission to drill a well on the pistol range property 100 feet east of the original location granted earlier, to avoid being too near a storm sewer from the General Motors Saginaw Street plant. Drawings accompanied the request.

By Commissioner Smith—

That the request of the Board of Water and Light be granted.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Communication received from Joseph Lavey, City Attorney recommending that Doctor McDonald be asked to conduct further tests on Patrolman John Williams to determine whether or not the type of accident Mr. Williams had would actually result in a permanent aggravation of his pre-existing condition.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That this board concur in the recommendation of the City Attorney.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Communication received from Doctor McDonald on the physical condition of Patrolman Arthur Wojtysiak, as of March 22, 1961, recommending limited duty.

Received and placed on file.

April 5, 1961.

Police and Fire Board
Lansing, Michigan

Re: Chrouch vs. City of Lansing.

Enclosed find copy of letter from R. William Reid, attorney for Mr. Chrouch, which is self-explanatory.

It would be my recommendation that you request a complete physical examination by Doctor McNamara and such other specialists as Doctor McNamara advises before a

decision as to whether or not you wish to pay any additional medical benefits or pay Workmen's Compensation without a contest.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH LAVEY,
City Attorney.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That this board concur in the recommendation of the City Attorney.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

April 13, 1961.

Honorable Members of the
Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

This is to advise you that on July 1, 1961, I will have completed thirty-seven years as a member of the Lansing Police Department, and that it is my intention to retire on, or about this date.

During the period preceding this date, I shall take my annual leave; and, perhaps, some of the many days of compensatory over-time which I have accumulated.

Heretofore, it has been customary for the retiring chief to be granted the privilege of retaining the badge of his office. If your honorable body could grant me this honor, it would be deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. TAYLOR,
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the matter of retirement date be referred to the Police & Fire Retirement Board for consideration. That the matter of compensatory over-time be referred to the Men and Discipline Committee of the Police and Fire Board. That Chief Taylor be allowed to retain his badge as requested in the letter.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

April 13, 1961.

Members of the Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners

Gentlemen:

The members of the Men and Discipline

Committee met on March 13, 1961, and interviewed applicants to fill the vacancies in the rank of patrolman.

The following applicants were hired providing they pass the physical examination: Michael Ross and Daniel Waltz.

The date of hire for these applicants was March 20, 1961.

They shall serve the customary probationary period.

Sincerely yours,

J. A. AMES Commissioner
L. J. SMITH, Commissioner
H. W. NOACK, Commissioner
Members of the Men and
Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Ames—

That the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

April 13, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

The matter of installing two additional telephone trunk lines for the police department was referred to this committee at the last meeting, with power to act.

Your committee on radio recommended the installation of one line for outgoing calls and one line for incoming calls to be installed at the police department.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. ANDERTON, Commissioner
W. E. LANNING, Commissioner
L. J. SMITH, Commissioner
Committee on Radio.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

April 13, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommended that Fire Marshal Robert Foster be permitted to attend the National Fire Prevention Association Confer-

ence to be held at Detroit, Michigan May 14th to 19th, inclusive.

The estimated expense of \$150.00 is available from the Education fund of the fire department budget.

HILBERT J. BOS
JAMES F. ANDERTON
WARD E. LANNING
Education Committee.

By Commissioner Bos—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

Supported by Commissioner Mahoney.

Commissioner Noack read a testimonial to the Board on the record of retiring Police Chief Paul Taylor since the date of his appointment to the Police Department July 1, 1924.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That a copy of the testimonial be made by the secretary of the Board and given to Chief Taylor.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Keenoy reported to the Board on the death of one retired fireman and one on active duty. The Chief also reported on the completion of the in-training school just completed. He also reported on sick members of the department.

Inspector Stragier reported to the Board on injured and sick members of the department. He also reported on the two new recruits and their training.

Commissioner Mahoney instructed Chief Keenoy to visit the building site at 3708 Pleasant Grove Road, and suggested that the Commissioners join the Chief, to determine if the site is satisfactory for the construction of the new fire station.

RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Anderton—

That in view of Chief Taylor's intention to retire from the police department, that Inspector Stragier be placed in charge of the police department during any absence of Chief Taylor.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That the members of the radio division be commended for the efficient manner in which they handled the frequency change-over for the fire department. That the master mechanic Burgess and his assistants also be commended for the excellent job they did in building the resuscitator and inhalator at the garage.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Councilman Brooks inquired from the Board if an explanation could be given

why patrolman Williams was granted more time to move inside the city than had been originally granted by the personnel department.

Commissioner Smith explained that patrolman Williams had been given permission to move his family outside the city, but that patrolman Williams must maintain a residence inside the city.

The Board adjourned.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, Special Meeting, April 18, 1961

Chairman Rouse called the Board to order for a special meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Ames, Mahoney, Anderton, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack and Rouse—8.

Absent—None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

In regards to Chief Taylor's notification of retirement submitted to the Police and Fire Board April 13, 1961, the Men and Discipline Committee recommends that compensatory time not be granted now or in the future.

We recommend that Chief Taylor be placed on special assignment effective this date, until his retirement from service. His annual leave will be taken before the effective date of his retirement.

Signed:

JOHN A. AMES,
HENRY W. NOACK,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Ames—

I move that the Committee report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

April 18, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Inspector Charles Stragier be promoted to the rank of Chief of Police, and assume all the duties of this office, effective April 18, 1961.

Signed:

JOHN A. AMES,
HENRY W. NOACK,
LEO J. SMITH,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Ames—

I recommend that the Committee report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

A roll call vote was then taken of the members of the Board.

Commissioners Ames, Mahoney, Anderton, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack and Rouse all voted in the affirmative.

Carried by unanimous vote.

Chairman Rouse asked Commissioner Ames to call Chief Stragier and have him attend the balance of the meeting.

Chief Stragier arrived and was congratulated by the members of the Board.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I recommend that the Men and Discipline Committee meet with Chief Stragier to decide the nature of the special assignment for former Chief Taylor; and then meet with former Chief Taylor and inform him of the decision.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

The Board adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

B/C

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, May 11, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman W. Everts Rouse.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Ames, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack and Rouse—6.

Absent—Commissioners Mahoney and Anderton—2. They were excused from the meeting.

Councilmen Baryames, Brooks, Milks and Preuss were also present at the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

Chief Stragier presented a letter from City Attorney Jack W. Warren that requested that former Patrolman Chrouh have a complete physical examination by the City Physician, and advise him of the results of the examination.

Referred back to the City Attorney.

Chief Stragier presented a request from Captain Rainwater to take the pistol team to Springfield, Illinois, on June 20, 21 and 22 to enter a meet. This trip would be an additional trip not included in the budget, and would require \$395.00 for expenses.

By Commissioner Noack—

I move that this request be denied. Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Keenoy presented a letter of thanks from Chief Lester Reid of the Owosso Fire Department for the help and equipment the Fire Alarm Division gave them to improve their system.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Keenoy presented a letter of thanks with a \$5.00 check from the St. James Altar Society, Mason, Michigan, for the demonstration and program presented by Firemen Harrison Rees and Willis Karnes, at a meeting April 18th at Mason.

By Commissioner Smith—

I move that the check be given to the Flower Fund of the Fire Department. Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Stragier presented a request from Patrolman Gerald Gabrion for reimbursement for damage to his uniform sustained while helping an invalid who had fallen while climbing stairs.

By Commissioner Noack—

I move that Patrolman Gabrion be reimbursed the \$12.75 to repair his uniform.

Chief Stragier presented a request for permission to negotiate a settlement with the Auto-Owners Insurance Company in regards to an accident he was involved in on May 31, 1960, from Sgt. Derold W. Husby.

Referred to the City Attorney for confirmation.

Chief Stragier presented a report from Captain Victor Scavarda recommending meritorious service citations for Patrolman Raymond Morris and Patrolman William Renfrew.

By Commissioner Lanning—

I recommend that patrolmen Raymond Morris and William Renfrew be presented citations. Supported by Commissioner Noack.

Carried.

Chief Stragier presented a request for reclassification of Mrs. Rita Prochnow from Det. Lieut. Clarissa Young of the Youth Bureau.

Referred to the City Personnel Director.

A request for consideration to supply Police and Fire Department uniforms was received by the Board from the Natow Uniform Company of Detroit, Michigan.

Placed on file until other bids are received.

RESIGNATIONS

Patrolman Ronald Wold submitted his resignation to Chief Stragier, effective May 15, 1961.

By Commissioner Bos—

I recommend that his resignation be accepted. Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Captain Sidney Hildebrandt presented his request for retirement from duty, effective May 19, 1961, to the Board.

By Commissioner Noack—

I recommend that his request be granted. Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

May 11, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends a transfer of \$3,000.00 from Police 1-C-1 Salaries account, to Police 1-D-12 Gasoline and Lubricants, to prevent overdrawing of funds, and that a copy of the committee report be submitted to the City council for approval.

Signed:

LEO J. SMITH,
JOHN A. AMES,
JAMES F. ANDERTON,
Ways and Means Committee.

By Commissioner Smith—

I move that the committee report be adopted. Supported by Commissioner Noack.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier informed the Board that the officers of the uniform division had requested permission to wear the same type uniform as the patrolmen.

By Commissioner Ames—

I move that we leave this question up to the discretion of Chief Stragier. Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Chief Stragier reported on members of his department on sick leave, and applicants for the Police Department.

Chief Keenoy informed the members of the Board that he had inspected new fire stations at Saginaw and Flint; that a training school had been completed with a fire department conference at Central Station May 2nd and 3rd; and that he would like to convert the department Chevrolet Foam Truck into a gasoline delivery truck if the members of the Board would grant their permission.

By Commissioner Ames—

I move we grant Chief Keenoy permission to convert the Chevrolet truck into a gasoline delivery truck. Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Rouse—

Board members shall not ride in police or fire vehicles except on official business relative to Board matters or because of an emergency.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That the Police and Fire Board commend the members of the Fire Alarm Division for the excellent manner in which the changeover of the central office equipment of the alarm division was performed, and the efficient and well planned system that now exists.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, Special Meeting, May 31, 1961

The Board met in special session and was called to order by Chairman Rouse.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Mahoney, Noack, Rouse and Smith—8.

Absent: None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from the Parks and Recreation Department, requesting the services of Lieutenant McCourt for playground assignment during the summer months.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the request be granted, providing it meets with the approval of the Chief of Police.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

Communication received from City Attorney Warren pertaining to authorization of Sergeant Husby to negotiate for a settlement with Auto Owners Insurance Company for injuries he received in an accident on May 31, 1960.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the matter be referred back to the City Attorney, and that the Chief of Police, the Secretary of the Board and Sergeant Husby work out the details of settlement with the City Attorney, and that the City Attorney approve final settlement in the matter.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your committee on Men and Discipline

recommends the following promotions in the police department, effective June 1, 1961.

Detective Sergeant Thomas O'Toole to the rank of Inspector.

Detective Lieutenant Elwyn Groak to the rank of Detective Captain.

Detective Sergeant Mack Seegraves to the rank of Detective Lieutenant.

Detectives Allan Yauch and Patrick Long to the rank of Detective Sergeants.

Patrolmen Robert Tucker and Kenneth Bond to the rank of Detective.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON MEN
AND DISCIPLINE.
J. A. Ames, Comm.
L. J. Smith, Comm.
H. W. Noack, Comm.

By Commissioner Ames—

That the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Roll call vote requested by Commissioner Ames.

Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Mahoney, Noack, Rouse, and Smith all voted in the affirmative.

Carried by unanimous vote.

Chairman Rouse asked that the new Inspector and Captain of Detectives be sent for and to appear before the Board.

Inspector O'Toole and Captain Groak attended the balance of the meeting. They were congratulated on their promotions by the board members.

The Board adjourned.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

B/S

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, June 8, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman W. Everts Rouse.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Mahoney, Noack, Rouse and Smith—8.

Absent: None.

Councilmen Brooks and Preuss also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from Robert Foster, Fire Prevention Bureau, expressing appreciation for being permitted to attend the annual conference of the Fire Protection Association at Detroit from May 15-19th.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Fireman Merle Anderson requesting military leave from June 17 to July 1 to attend field training at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the request be granted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Communication received from City Attorney Jack Warren advising the Board that legal action had been commenced against the City of Lansing for an accident that involved a police car and former Patrolman Herbert Maddern, Jr:

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Don's Auto

Trim on the use of safety belts for police and fire department motor vehicles.

Received and placed on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

June 8, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your committee on ways and means recommends the following transfer of funds in the police department, to take care of over-drawn accounts.

From 1-C-1 police salaries the sum of \$760.00 to 1-A-1 police administration salaries account.

From 1-C-1 police salaries the sum of \$800.00 to 1-A-3 communications account, for additional telephone lines to July 1st.

From 1-C-1 police salaries to 1-D-7 police motor vehicles maintenance fund the sum of \$200.00.

Your committee further recommends that a copy of the committee report be forwarded to the City Council for approval.

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS. POLICE AND FIRE BOARD.

Commissioner L. J. Smith
Commissioner J. A. Ames
Commissioner J. F. Anderton

By Commissioner Smith—

That the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

June 8, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men and Discipline recommends the following promotions in the ranks of the police department, effective June 9, 1961.

That Detective Cloyse Griffin be promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant, and that Patrolman Stanley Burnett be promoted to the rank of Detective.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON MEN & DISCIPLINE
POLICE AND FIRE BOARD.

Commissioner J. A. Ames
Commissioner L. J. Smith
Commissioner H. W. Noack

By Commissioner Ames—

That the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Chief Keenoy reported on sick and injured members of the fire department. He also reported on the needs for roof repair on station No. 8, also need for repairs on air conditioner at No. 1 station. Instructed by the board to take the matter up with the committee on purchasing.

Chief Stragier reported to the Board on sick and injured members of the Police department. He also reported on the status of receiving bids on police uniforms from

local merchants who were interested in furnishing uniforms. Chief Stragier also reported to the Board on the number of applicants that had been cleared by the Police department and ready for hire.

Chief Stragier requested permission to attend the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police Convention at Charlevoix, Michigan from June 25-28.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the Chief be granted permission to attend the convention.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the City Council be notified that we have sufficient applicants cleared and ready for hire in the police department to supplement the force by five new patrolmen after July 1, 1961, and that the Council be asked to grant sufficient money to cover salaries and uniform allowance, in order that they may be hired.

By Commissioner Lanning—

Supported.

Carried.

Board adjourned.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, Special Meeting, June 20, 1961

Chairman Rouse called the special session to order.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Mahoney, Anderson, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack and Rouse—7.

Absent—Commissioner Ames—1.

Councilmen Perrin and Brooks and Public Service Director Collins Thornton attended the meeting.

Chairman Rouse announced the special session was being held to discuss new fire station construction, and turned the meeting over to Commissioner Mahoney, Chairman of the Fire Station Construction Committee.

Commissioner Mahoney directed the Secretary to read communications from the six architects that had requested consideration for their services for new fire station construction. The architects submitting letters were:

Manson, Jackson, Wilson and Kane.

Laitala and Nuechterlein Associates.

Simpson and Hartwick Architects.

O. J. Munson, Associates.

Charles V. Opdyke, Architect.

Clark R. Ackley, Architect.

An open discussion was held by the Board, Councilmen Perrin and Brooks and Public Service Director Thornton regarding the type of construction for both new stations and various other features believed desirable to include in the new construction.

The Board decided to interview the architects and submit their recommendation to the City Council.

The Board requested Public Service Director Collins Thornton to make arrangements for soundings to be taken on the building sites.

Chief Stragier asked the Board for a ruling on the Clothing Allowance that will be initiated July 1st, 1961.

The Board directed the chiefs to set up their own system of uniform allotment and place it into operation.

Board adjourned.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, July 13, 1961

ROLL CALL

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Vice-Chairman Henry W. Noack.

Present—Commissioners Ames, Mahoney, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack and Shewell—7.

Absent—Commissioner Anderton.

Mayor Bowerman, Executive Assistant Millman and Councilman Preuss also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Vice chairman Noack declared the meeting open for nominations for Chairman of the Board for 1961-1962.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I nominate Commissioner Noack for Chairman of the Board for 1961-1962.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

No further nominations were made, and Vice Chairman Noack declared Commissioner Noack elected to Chairman of the Board for 1961-1962 by unanimous vote.

Chairman Noack declared the meeting open for nominations for Vice Chairman of the Board for 1961-1962.

By Commissioner Ames—

I nominate Commissioner Anderton for Vice Chairman of the Board for 1961-1962.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

No further nominations were made. Commissioner Noack declared Commissioner Anderton Vice Chairman of the Board for 1961-1962 by unanimous vote.

By Commissioner Ames—

I nominate Commissioner Shewell as the

Police and Fire Board representative to the Police and Fire Pension Board.

Supported by Commissioner Mahoney.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board received a letter from Gary Thomas, President of Local 421, International Fire Fighters Association praising the Lansing Police Department for their courtesy to guests during the recent V.F.W. convention.

Received and placed on file.

A communication to the City Council recommending the purchase of a 1961 Cadillac ambulance from Dennis Distributor Company, Flint, Michigan from the Apparatus Committee was read to the members of the Board.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Stragier presented a recommendation from Captain Elwyn Groak that meritorious citations be granted to Lieutenants Oris Montgomery, Mack Seegraves, Sergeant Lawrence Murphy and Detective Robert Tucker for their investigation of the American State Bank and Trust Company robbery and the subsequent apprehension of Edwin Joseph Steward. Chief Stragier concurred with the recommendation, and recommended that Captain Elwyn Groak be awarded a meritorious citation for his direction of the investigation.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

I move that the meritorious citations be awarded to these officers.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Stragier presented a letter of thanks from Detectives Russell Detering and Francis Hedley for the opportunity to attend the Criminal Investigation Course

at Michigan State University March 20-24.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Stragier presented copies of accident reports involving police cars 5, 2, 1 and 8.

Received and placed on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

July 12, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Men and Discipline committee met on June 30th to interview applicants to fill the ranks of patrolmen in the Police department. The following candidates were selected and ordered to report for school training July 10th, providing they passed the physical examinations:

Lynn Munshaw, William Skinner, Charles White, Carl Gallagher, David Switzer, Darrell Dafoe, Martin Campbell, George Gaukel and Lowell McKenzie.

They shall serve the customary probation period before being confirmed.

JOHN A. AMES,
LEON J. SMITH,
HENRY W. NOACK,
Men and Discipline Committee.

By Commissioner Ames—

I move the committee report be approved.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

July 13, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The following officers were appointed to the police department on July 13, 1960 and have served the customary probation period:

Patrolmen Ronald Zerfas, Richard Lauzun, James Nash, Nathan Foltz, Policewomen Ardith Brower and Jane Penton.

Inasmuch as the reports from the command officers are satisfactory, and confirmation recommended, I recommend that the appointments be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES STRAGIER,
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Lanning—

I move that their appointments be confirmed.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier informed the Board that his department had received many complimentary letters from residents regarding the courtesy and assistance of the members of the police department. He felt that an immense stride had been made toward the goal of better public relations. He also reported on two members on sick leave, and uniform purchases.

Chief Keenoy gave a report on the installation of air conditioning in the dormitory at No. 1 Station and a member of the department on sick leave.

Commissioner Mahoney expressed the compliments of the Board to the members of the police department and the commanding officers for the fine reports and their excellent work.

A letter from the Labor Mediation Board of the State of Michigan was read by request of the Board. The letter requested information regarding members of the fire department employed as of July 3, 1961 and meeting held between the representatives of the Fire Fighters Local and representatives of the City of Lansing.

By Commissioner Mahoney.

I move we refer this letter to the City Council. Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Mayor Bowerman gave a brief talk to the members of the Board, complimenting them on their work and the fine police and fire departments they were administering. He also suggested that both departments continue to work "close to" the general public, and especially with school children. He also recommended that progressive changes for both departments be suggested and recommended when the Board felt they were needed.

Board adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

B/C

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, August 10, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman Henry W. Noack.

the Board of Water and Light at an approximate cost of two hundred dollars.

By Commissioner Lanning—

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Noack, Shewell, Smith—7.

Absent—Commissioner Mahoney—1.

Commissioner Mahoney was excused from attending the meeting by Chairman Noack.

Mayor Bowerman, Councilman Brooks and Baryames also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

Mr. Bruce Hartwick, architect for the new fire stations appeared before the board and explained preliminary drawings to the board and answered questions.

That radio engineer Steigman be instructed to arrange for the installation of the new and larger capacity electrical service at the David street transmitter site.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

Communication received from Lieutenant Hiram Woodard of the Police Department, informing the Board that he had made application to be placed on retirement, effective September 1, 1961.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That a letter be sent to Lieutenant Woodard thanking him for his many years of faithful service with the police department, and that in the future letters be sent to all members of the police and fire departments who retire on pension.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from Mr. Hubert Bates, President of the American Bank and Trust Company, commending the police department for the fine police work when they apprehended the bank robber that held up their branch bank on July 6th, 1961.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Special Agent in charge of the Detroit Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Mr. Don Hostetter, commending the police department for the excellent police work when they apprehended the bank robber who held up the branch bank of the American Bank and Trust Company.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Detective Lieutenant Carter of the Police Department, requesting permission to attend the annual seminar for scientific interrogation in San Francisco, August 21-24 inclusive.

By Commissioner Smith—

That Lieutenant Carter be permitted to attend the seminar, and that his expenses be limited to the budget allotment of four hundred dollars.

Supported by Commissioner Anderton.

Carried.

Communication received from radio engineer Stanley Steigman informing the board that the electrical service at the David Street transmitter site was not adequate since the installation of the Fire Department radio system, and that a new and larger installation was recommended by

APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

Resignation received from Fireman Lewis R. Harp, effective July 25, 1961.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That the resignation be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported on an accident of a police car driven by patrolman Swenson.

Chief Stragier reported on members of the police department who have been absent from duty because of illness.

Chief Keenoy reported on members of the fire department who have been absent from duty because of illness.

Chairman Noack asked the councilmen and the mayor if they had any comments

they wished to direct to the board. Mayor Bowerman informed the board that he would like to see additional men added to the police department, stating that the department was twenty five men short according to national standards, and that the board should give it serious consideration. He also informed the Board that he would like to see a merit system installed, similar to the State Police where a rank of corporal would be installed in the police department. The mayor also stressed the importance of a physical fitness program for both departments. Mayor Bowerman informed the board that he receives many complaints in his office from organized labor and from unorganized labor because firemen are working on the outside, and conducting a regular business on an organized basis during their off hours from duty. He informed the board that he believed the firemen should not be in competition with outside labor, especially on an organized basis.

Board adjourned 8:30 p.m.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, September 14, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman Henry Noack.

Present—Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack, Shewell—7.

Absent—Commissioner Mahoney—1.

Commissioner Mahoney was excused from the meeting.

Councilman Preuss also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Stragier presented a letter from the Royer Oil Company commending the police department for their assistance in keeping youngsters off the company property. Mr. C. L. Royer donated \$5.00 to the police fund.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That the \$5.00 be accepted for the police fund.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

Detective Charles Carter expressed his appreciation to the Board for being permitted to attend the 13th Annual Seminar of the Academy for Scientific Interrogation in San Francisco the week of August 21st.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Stragier submitted a request to be permitted to attend the International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference at Montreal from September 30th to October 6th.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That Chief Stragier be permitted to attend the Police Chiefs Conference.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

The Board received a communication submitted by Karl M. Keyes, President of the Citizens Non-Partisan League, requesting additional police service at the following locations:

St. Joseph at Butler; the alley behind buildings at the southwest corner of St. Joseph and Butler; St. Joseph and Logan; Olds Ave. from Townsend to Birch; West Main at Division.

Mr. Keyes also stated that a call complaining about a prowler at 1306 West St. Joseph on August 23rd took 25 minutes to be answered. Reports from Officer James R. Nash and Officer Paul J. Waters, substantiated by the log and the dictaphone, revealed that the call was answered in six minutes.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Stragier informed the members of the Board that the police department had been interviewing many applicants for the position of patrolman, and conducting many pre-employment investigations. At the present time the department has enough qualified applicants to hire ten men, if funds were available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

September 14, 1961.

Police and Fire Board
City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your committee on men and discipline recommends that the City Council be notified that the police department has sufficient qualified applicants for patrolmen, who have passed the pre-employment examinations and investigations to supplement the department by ten men.

Your committee further recommends that the City Council be requested to grant

sufficient funds to hire the men for the balance of the fiscal year, and in addition grant sufficient funds for the purchase of uniforms and equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. AMES, Commissioner
L. SMITH, Commissioner
J. ANDERTON, Commissioner
Committee on Men and Discipline,
Police and Fire Board.

By Commissioner Ames—

That the Committee report be approved, and be submitted to the City Council for their consideration. Supported by Commissioner Anderton.

Carried.

September 14, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your committee on men and discipline recommends the following promotions in the police department. effective September 17th, 1961.

That Detective Sergeant Lawrence Murphy be promoted to the rank of Detective Lieutenant.

That Detective Russell Detering be promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant.

That Patrolman Martin Koenigsknecht be promoted to the rank of Detective.

Respectfully submitted,

J. AMES, Commissioner
L. SMITH, Commissioner
J. ANDERTON, Commissioner
Committee on Men and Discipline,
Police and Fire Board.

By Commissioner Ames—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier gave a report of a member off duty due to illness, and reported on the fine work of the pistol team in competition.

By Commissioner Bos—

I recommend that the Board send Detective Robert Tucker a letter commending him for his splendid record in the pistol team competition.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Keenoy gave a report on two members of the fire department off duty due to illness; informed the Board that the new ambulance and the new recorder were in service, and requested their permission to attend the International Fire Chiefs Conference at Las Vegas, Nevada the latter part of September.

Permission was granted.

The Board adjourned.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

C/B

the re-hearing disqualified herself from voting on this case.

Motion carried by a 6 yea and 0 nay vote.

Upon basis of the evidence and the arguments briefly summarized it was moved by Rasmussen, supported by Mutz, that the appeal be denied, because no unnecessary

hardship within the meaning of the zoning ordinance has been shown.

Motion carried by a 6 yea and 0 nay vote.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

VICTOR G. LEYRER ,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, October 12, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman Henry W. Noack.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Noack, and Shewell—5.

Absent: Commissioners, Ames, Mahoney, Smith—3.

They were excused from attending the meeting by Chairman Noack.

Councilman Preuss and Mayor Bowerman also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from the City Council Committee on Personnel, pertaining to the request of the Fire Fighters Local 421 and the adoption of a resolution under the provisions of the Michigan Labor Mediation Act.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from the Michigan Jewelers Association thanking the police department for their assistance and cooperation during their show at the Jack Tar Hotel September 30 and October 1st.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Lansing, pertaining to their "Ambassador" program, and the appointment of Captain George Warner of the Greater Lansing Special Police and Mr. D. D. Harris as liaison officers.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from the Greater Lansing Special Police Agency, thanking the police department for the assistance given at the seating of the Constitutional Convention at the Lansing Civic Center.

Received and placed on file.

October 12, 1961.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Your committee on men and discipline met on September 25th to interview applicants for the position of patrolman in the ranks of the police department.

The following men were selected to report for school training on October 9, providing they passed satisfactory physical examinations.

John Baylis	Daniel Koonter
Kenneth Craig	James Opperman
Leroy Fladseth	Richard Pulford
Clement Hufnagel	Osler Rowe
Wayne Kinney	Gene White
Lauren Winsor	

The eleven applicants selected shall serve the customary probation period.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. AMES, Comm.
JAMES F. ANDERTON, Comm.
L. J. SMITH, Comm.
Committee on Men and Discipline,
Police and Fire Board.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Inspector O'Toole reported to the board on sick and injured members of the Police Department. A written report was filed with the board on the injury of motorcycle officer Keith Getts on the night of September 22nd at the Sexton High School football stadium, which was received and placed on file. Inspector O'Toole also informed the board that four additional patrolmen had been added to the youth bureau to create an additional shift for that division. He also reported to the board on the progress of the eleven new recruit officers who were attending police training school.

Chief Keenoy reported to the board on sick members of the fire department. He also reported on the work the department had been doing during fire prevention week, with emphasis on the schools. He informed the board that an article written on this subject had been printed in the Safety Education Magazine, which was submitted by Lieutenant Alber. Chief Keenoy reported to the board that civil defense had been stressed very strongly at the Fire Chiefs Convention at Las Vegas.

Mayor Bowerman talked to the board on the needs of civil defense and the need for a full time director. He also talked to the board on the needs of a physical fit program for police officers, and asked the board what had been done in creating the rank of corporals in the police department. Mayor Bowerman also stressed the need of more police officers in uniform going into the schools and making talks.

Mr. Hartwick showed plans of the two fire stations to be constructed and informed the board that the plans were in the final stage, and suggested the board take action to advertise for bids on the construction of the stations. Mr. Elgin Clark, consulting engineer was introduced by Mr. Hartwick to the board. Mr. Clark talked on the heating problems and the need for extension of the storm sewer from Raymond Street to the front of the new fire station, advising that a letter should be submitted to the City Council for this extension.

RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Bos—

That the Police and Fire Board petition the Mayor and City Clerk to advertise for bids for the construction of the new fire stations, and that a copy of this resolution be submitted at once.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

It was resolved by the board that starting with the month of December the Board will meet at the City Hall, using the Mayor's Conference room, which was offered by Mayor Bowerman, and will continue to meet at the City Hall every other month, alternating between the City Hall and the Central Fire Station.

Board adjourned.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That the report of the committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, October 25, 1961

October 25, 1961

The Board met in special session and was called to order by Chairman Henry Noack.

Present—Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack, Shewell—7.

Absent—Commissioner Mahoney—1.

Commissioner Mahoney was excused from the meeting.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

Chairman Noack informed the members that this special meeting was arranged to determine the most efficient hours for firemen to work.

He commended Commissioner Ames for the amount of study and effort that he had expended in compiling information and facts relative to suggested changes in the working hours of firemen.

After an open discussion the Board approved the following resolution:

By Commissioner Anderton—

Effective January 1, 1962, the fire department will operate in the following manner: Twenty-four hours on duty, forty-eight hours off duty.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That this proposal, as approved by the Board, be presented to the City Council.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

The following proposal was submitted to the City Council:

October 25, 1961

Honorable Mayor Williard I. Bowerman and Members of the Lansing City Council:

Gentlemen:

We have considered the proposed methods for reducing the work week for firemen to fifty-six hours with Chief Keenoy for the past weeks. We have carefully considered the cost to the taxpayers, the efficiency of the fire department in providing fire protection and all other aspects regarding making this change.

At a special meeting held October 25, 1961 this Board adopted the following resolution:

Effective January 1, 1962, the fire department will operate in the following manner: Twenty-four hours on duty, forty-eight hours off duty.

This method of reducing hours can be accomplished by placing No. 3 Ladder Truck from No. 4 Station (Bingham and Prospect) to No. 8 Station, increasing No. 8 Station to a two company station (No. 8 Engine and No. 3 Ladder Truck). No. 4 Engine will be placed in reserve, and will be re-activated when No. 10 Station is completed. The Fire Alarm and Radio Maintenance divisions will be transferred to the Bingham Street station. The Alarm Building will then be available for off street parking or any other purpose the City Council may desire, shortly after the first of the year.

We have found, through investigation, that many large departments, including the Chicago Fire Department, have adopted this system due to its efficient operation, and will be operable in Lansing with our present personnel until No. 10 Station is added.

The working hours included in the 1962 ballot proposal for a 56 hour week will cost the taxpayers \$174,254.06;

23 new members @ \$5,921.00.....\$143,679.00

14.56% of payroll for pension..... 20,919.66

Hospitalization paid by City..... 2,180.40

Clothing, equipment, etc..... 7,475.00

\$174,254.06

Additional savings from this adopted plan will be:

New pumping engine\$25,000.00

Furniture, hose and equipment 10,000.00

\$35,000.00

The following changes in department procedure and personnel have been adopted to increase efficiency:

Bring the total complement of captains to one per station as retirement allows; and the rank replaced by the rank of lieutenant as retirement occurs.

Exchange time limited to twice a year. This time must be requested in writing and be approved by the Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. NOACK,
Chairman.

The Board adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

WILLIAM R. GREW,
Secretary.

R/F

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, November 9, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman Henry Noack.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Anderton, Smith, Bos, Lanning, Noack—5.

Absent: Commissioners Ames, Mahoney, Shewell—3.

Commissioners Ames, Mahoney and Shewell were excused from the meeting.

Councilman Milks attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board received a notification from the Director of Finance that department budgets should be submitted not later than February 5, 1962.

Received and placed on file.

The Board received a request from Laurence Miller, Chairman of the Planning Board, for a meeting to review reporting forms regarding projects and their priorities for the Capital Improvements Program.

Referred to the Ways and Means and Property and Purchasing Committees.

Chief Stragier presented a check from C. R. Knapp, President of the F. N. Arbaugh Company payable to the Police Relief Association.

By Commissioner Bos—

I recommend that the check for fifteen dollars be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Stragier presented a letter commending Sergeant Lowden Henderson for his outstanding bravery and devotion to duty while effecting the arrest of William Winegar, an armed fugitive, on October 28, 1961. Captain Elwyn Groak submitted the letter and recommended that Sergeant Henderson be given suitable recognition for his initiative and valor while handling this dangerous situation.

By Commissioner Lanning—

I recommend that Sergeant Lowden Henderson be presented with a citation for his fine actions in apprehending this dangerous fugitive.

Supported by Commissioner Anderton.

Carried.

Chief Stragier presented a letter of thanks and appreciation from Ingham County Sheriff Kenneth Preadmore for the assistance of the members of the Lansing Police Department in apprehending fugitive William Winegar on October 28, 1961.

Chairman Noack expressed the appreciation of the Board for the fine cooperation the police department provided the Ingham County Sheriff Department in capturing this dangerous fugitive. The letter was received and placed on file.

The Board received a request for necessary information needed for evaluation of disability pension for Robert Evans, concerning his coronary episodes, the first being in January, 1954. Robert Evans was a member of the fire department from October 1, 1942 until April 15, 1953.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That Chief Keenoy send the doctor a letter advising him that his record contained no history of coronary trouble.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

Chief Keenoy presented a letter from A. G. Varrelman, Deputy Director of the International Association of Chiefs of

Police, Inc. requesting permission for them to visit the fire department October 16 and 17, 1961 and thanking Chief Keenoy and Deputy Chief Robert Simmons for their courtesies.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Keenoy informed the Board that Fireman Daniel Decker and Neal Wright had completed the required probationary period, and recommended that their appointments to the department be confirmed, after passing the required physical examination.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That the Chief's recommendation be approved.

Supported by Commissioner Lanning.

Carried.

Chief Stragier presented the resignation of Mrs. Dema Morgan from the detective bureau, and recommended that the resignation be accepted.

By Commissioner Smith—

I move that Mrs. Dema Morgan's resignation be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier informed members of the Board that new "Exchange of Accident Identification Information" forms were now being used by his department as a convenience for motorists involved in automobile accidents.

Chief Keenoy gave a report on one member of the Fire Department on sick leave, and presented maps showing Fire Company overall coverage of the City.

The Board adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

WILLIAM R. GREW.
Secretary.

B/C

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, December 7, 1961

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman Henry Noack.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Ames, Anderton, Bos, Lanning, Mahoney, Noack, Shewell, Smith—8.

Absent—None.

Councilmen Milks and Preuss also attended the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from the Metropolitan Club requesting permission for off duty policemen and firemen to solicit ads for the year book.

By Commissioner Lanning—

That the request be granted. Supported by Commissioner Mahoney.

Carried.

Communication received from Michigan State University thanking the fire department for services rendered by the inhalator-resuscitator squad at the home football games during the past season.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from radio engineer Stanley Steigman outlining costs of removing the emergency transmitters from the alarm building to the City Hall, and moving radio equipment for maintenance to the No. 4 fire station on Bingham Street.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the matter be referred to the radio committee. Supported by Commissioner Bos.

Carried.

Communication received from Marvin S. Ray, Capitol Lodge No. 8, F. & A. M., commenting on the murder of Mrs. Lucy Norris, and offering one hundred dollars reward for capture or information leading to the capture of the person responsible for the crime.

Received and placed on file.

The Board discussed the closing of No. 4 fire station and the fact that petitions had been circulated by young boys in the neighborhood of the station, asking that it be retained, and kept open.

By Commissioner Anderton—

That the Chief of the Fire Department write letters to the people who signed the petitions, and explain that the fire protection would be adequate, and afford the residents in that vicinity ample protection.

Supported by Commissioner Ames.

Carried.

APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

December 7, 1961

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Gentlemen:

Attached is the resignation of patrolman Barton Huffman, effective November 17, 1961.

Patrolman Huffman was appointed on May 7, 1956, and was serving as a dispatcher in the communications division.

I recommend that the resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES STRAIGER,
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Mahoney—

That the resignation be accepted. Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier submitted copies of accident reports involving motorcycle No. 5, rider Patrolman John Feters, and police car No. 6, driven by Patrolman Robert Moss; also a report on Patrolman Robert Champion injured while directing traffic.

Received and placed on file.

He also reported to the Board on command officers attending a two-day school on civilian defense. Chief Stragier also reported on members of the department absent from duty on sickness. He also reported that several foreign police officers will visit the department soon, at the recommendation of the I.A.C.P.

Chief Keenoy reported on sick and injured members on the fire department. He reported to the Board that Superintendent of the Fire Alarm system, Cecil Hethorne, had used up his available sick time, and asked the Board if they wished to extend additional sick time. It was the decision of the Board that additional sick time should be granted to Cecil Hethorne. The six year plan of the fire department was discussed.

RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Mahoney—

The Honorable Mayor Bowerman just re-

cently appointed a Citizens' Committee to study and make recommendations as to what could be done to help relieve the unemployment situation that exists in our community.

Therefore, be it resolved, that starting January 1, 1962, no employee of the City of Lansing Fire Department or the City of Lansing Police Department will be permitted to work or to contract work at any time when they are off duty in their respected departments as long as they are on the City's payroll.

I so move the adoption of this resolution.

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Roll call vote requested.

Carried unanimously.

Board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings, December 15, 1961

The Board met in special session and was called to order by Chairman Henry Noack.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Ames, Bos, Lansing, Mahoney, Noack, Shewell and Smith—7.

Absent—Commissioner Anderton—1.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication received from the City Council requesting the Board to consider extending the deadline on the date for outside employment for members of the Police and Fire Departments.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Scott L. Young, decorator commenting on the resolution passed by the Police and Fire Board, forbidding policemen and firemen to take outside work effective January 1, 1962.

Received and placed on file.

Communication received from Don R. Besley commenting on the resolution passed by the Police and Fire Board, forbidding policemen and firemen to take outside work effective January 1, 1962.

Received and placed on file.

RESOLUTION

By Commissioner Mahoney—

At the regular meeting of the Board of

Police and Fire Commissioners, December 7, 1961, the Board unanimously adopted a resolution pertaining to the working activities of the members of the Police Department and the Fire Department, covering their hours when they are not on duty in their respective departments. Because of the legal aspects involved in the resolution and in order to give the parties additional time to study same. Therefore be it resolved that the effective date as stated in the resolution for enforcement of same which is January 1, 1962, be extended to April 1, 1962.

I so move the adoption of the resolution

Supported by Commissioner Smith.

Roll call vote—7 yeas and 0 nays. ,

Passed unanimously.

Secretary instructed to send a copy of the resolution to the City Council.

Commissioner Shewell invited the board to attend Christmas open house party at the office of the State Treasurer from 2-5 p.m., December 20th.

Commissioner Ames asked for an explanation from the Chief of Police Stragier and Chief of the Fire Department Keenoy, on how they were administering the funds provided by the City Council for new uniforms for recruits and replacement uniforms for other members of their departments. Each explained the procedure in their departments to the Board.

Board adjourned.

DAVID M. DUNCAN,
Secretary.